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DEFENSE FOR ASD/ISA MCGIFFERT

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (THATCHER, MARGARET)
SUBJECT: MARGARET THATCHER VISIT TO SECDEF

REF: (A) LONDON 14740, (B) LONDON 14443

1. FOR TENTATIVE 12 SEPT 1500 APPOINTMENT WITH SECDEF, MRS. THATCHER WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY HER PARLIAMENTARY PRIVATE SECRETARY ADAM BUTLER. SHE WILL BE VISITING DEFENSE HAVING HAD BENEFIT OF BRIEFINGS FROM GILMOUR AND CHURCHILL BASED ON THEIR EARLIER VISITS. GIVEN IMPORTANCE MRS. THATCHER AND THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY ATTACH TO DEFENSE ISSUES, WE RECOMMEND MRS. THATCHER BE OFFERED THREAT BRIEFING (NOTE 1976 LONDON CABLES 956, 1287, 1158, 1324, 1492 AND 1830) AT LEAST OF DETAIL AND CLASSIFICATION ENJOYED BY CHURCHILL. SINCE SCHEDULE AS CURRENTLY PLANNED MAY NOT ALLOW ENOUGH TIME FOR BRIEFING YOU MAY WISH SIMPLY TO OFFER TO GIVE IT AT SOME OTHER TIME. EVEN IF MRS. THATCHER TURNS DOWN OFFER, WE BELIEVE A USEFUL POINT WILL HAVE BEEN GAINED BY MAKING IT.

2. LONDON 14740 GIVES USEFUL BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS OF CURRENT STATE OF PLAY CONCERNING
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MRS. THATCHER AND CONSERVATIVE PARTY.

3. ALL DETAILS OF SCHEDULE AND ANY PROPOSED CHANGES FOR MRS. THATCHER WOULD BE HANDLED THROUGH UK EMBASSY.

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